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ACCELERATED ADVANCEMENT FOR ENLISTED MUSICIAN (MU) ASSIGNMENTS TO NAVY PREMIER BANDS

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References	(a) BUPERSINST 1430.16E		
	(b) 10 U.S.C., Subtitle C, Part III,		
	Chapter 603, §6969 Band Composition		
	(c) COMNAVCRUITCOMINST 1130.8G		

1. <u>Background</u>. Only the most highly qualified Musician (MU) personnel are selected for duty with the U.S. Navy Band, Washington, DC and Naval Academy Band, Annapolis, MD to maintain the unique musical and professional standards required of these premier Presidential support and Service Academy organizations.

2. Requirements/Qualifications

- a. Provided members are qualified in all other respects, advancement in rating of MUs assigned to duty with these activities will be per the provisions of reference (a), except that MU "A" and "C" Service School requirements establishing eligibility for advancement to E-7 (MUC), E-8 (MUCS), and E-9 (MUCM), are waived.
- b. If qualified in all other respects, personnel reporting for duty with the U.S. Navy Band and Naval Academy Band in a paygrade below E-6 (MU1) may be recommended to Navy Personnel Command (NAVPERSCOM), Enlisted Community Management Branch (PERS-4011), for advancement to MU1 without regard to time-in-service, provided they have completed the military requirements through E-6. Date of rate will be effective upon reporting or, in the case of direct procurement accessions, upon completion of recruit training. Reference (b) delineates that the Naval Academy Band paygrades will equal that of the U.S. Navy Band.

c. Chapter 4, Section 15 of reference (c) details new accessions accelerated advancement policies for the U.S. Navy Band and Naval Academy Band.